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## TOWN OFFICERS 1925



Fred A. Barton,	Moderator
Samuel S. Harris,	Town Clerk
Clifton G. Baker,	Selectman
Lucius H. Nichols,	Selectman
Emory S. Wilbur,	Selectman
Fred M. Clark,	Treasurer
Arthur C. Wade,	Tax Collector
Arthur L. Benway,	Overseer Poor
Joseph Shanks,	Police
Fred A. Barton,	Fire Warden
William P. Hodgman,	Road Agent
Jacob Wanner,	Road Agent
Fred M. Clark,	Road Agent
Harold B. Nichols,	Supervisor
Thomas F. Bluitte,	Supervisor
Frank M. Lovejoy,	Supervisor
Elbert E. Hurd,	Auditor

## TOWN WARRANT

### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the town of Lempster in the County of Sullivan in said state, qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at town house in said Lempster on Tuesday, the ninth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Art. 1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

Art. 2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation for same.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to accept state aid for construction of highways; and raise money therefor.

Art. 4. To see how much money the town will raise to maintain the trunk line and state aid roads.

Art. 5. To see if the town will vote to allow the selectmen to deliver blank inventories at the time they appraise the property for taxation.

Art. 6. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the prevention of the white pine blister rust.

Art. 7. To see how much money the town will raise or appropriate for Memorial Day and Old Home Day.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the Library.

Art. 9. To see what action the town will take in regard to automobiles that have been damaged on town highways.

Art. 10. To see what the town will pay for labor on the highways.

Art. 11. To see if the selectmen or road agents shall have charge of the roads during the winter.

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to buy lights for the Halls, and raise money therefor.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to buy equipment for use on the highways, and appropriate any money therefor.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the road leading from the state road across Lewis Nernbone's field, to the road that leads by Mr. Wirkkalas' or take any action thereon.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to demand itemized bills before payment is made in accordance with demands of State Tax Commission.

Art. 16. To see in what way the town will vote to break the roads in winter.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to reinsure the Town Hall and Union Hall.

Art. 18. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to buy a Safe, and raise money therefor.

Art. 20. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this Eighteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty-six.

Clifton G. Baker,  
Lucius H. Nichols,  
Emory S. Wilbur,

Selectmen of Lempster.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

Clifton G. Baker,  
Lucius H. Nichols,  
Emory S. Wilbur,

Selectmen of Lempster.

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF LEMPSTER

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the ensuing year Feb. 1, 1926 to Jan. 31, 1927. Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the previous year Feb. 1, 1925 to Jan. 31, 1926.

Sources of Revenue	Actual 1925	Est. 1926
<b>From State</b>		
Bounties	\$168.00	
Savings bank tax	167.35	\$160.00
For fighting forest fires	19.95	25.00
For state aid maintenance	246.27	500.00
For trunk line maintenance	3,296.66	8,580.00
<b>From Local Sources Except Taxes</b>		
Dog licenses	128.40	120.00
Rent of town hall and other buildings	33.56	30.00
Interest rec'd on taxes and deposits	53.76	50.00
<b>From Poll Taxes</b>		
From other taxes ex. property taxes	456.00	420.00
National bank stock	15.00	15.00
Permits motor vehicles	403.75	400.00
Dynamite caps and fuse	6.43	
Rent on school land	4.84	5.00
Bridge plank	84.66	85.00
Cemetery lot	5.00	
Taxes bought by town	31.06	
<b>Revenue Applicable Only to New Construction and Improvements</b>		
<b>From State</b>		
For state aid highway construction	121.32	442.00
Am't raised by issue of bonds or notes		
First National Bank	4,000.00	3,000.00
Total revenues from all sources except property taxes	9,242.01	
Amount Raised by Property Taxes	9,023.08	
Total Revenues	\$18,265.09	

## PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Actual 1925	Est. 1926
Town officers' salaries	\$ 445.93	\$ 450.00
Town officers' expenses	120.66	125.00
Election and registration expenses	10.00	50.00
Care and supplies for town hall	87.93	80.00
Protection of Persons and Property		
Police Department and care of tramps	37.94	30.00
Forest fire	48.75	
White pine blister	200.00	200.00
Bounties	148.00	100.00
Health		
Health department	6.35	10.00
Vital statistics	.25	3.00
Highways and Bridges		
State aid maintenance		
State's contribution	502.85	500.00
Town's contribution		500.00
Trunk line maintenance		
State's contribution	4,266.35	8,580.00
Town's contribution		1,430.00
Town maintenance	2,841.59	3,000.00
General expense of highway dept.	313.49	350.00
Education		
Libraries	63.50	50.00
Charities		
County poor	20.00	
Patriotic Purposes		
Memorial Day and other celebrations	2.40	10.00
Old Home Day	10.00	10.00
Public Service Enterprises		
Cemeteries	114.50	75.00
Interest		
On temporary loans	358.83	300.00
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:		
State aid construction		
State's contribution	535.23	442.00
Town's contribution		442.50
Indebtedness: Payment on Principal of Debt:		
Long term notes	4,100.00	4,000.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
State taxes	630.00	630.00
County taxes	536.23	536.23
Poll taxes to state	18.00	
Payments to school districts	2,633.24	2,600.00
Unclassified		
Legal Expenses	21.00	20.00
Taxes bought	25.74	
Total Expenditures	\$ 18,098.76	

## REPORT OF SELECTMEN

Inventory of the Town April 1, 1925.

Land and Buildings	\$ 252,650.00
Horses 98	7,010.00
Cows 203	9,800.00
Other neat Stock 53	1,660.00
Sheep 19	100.00
Hogs 1	30.00
Fowls 555	555.00
Portable Mills 1	225.00
Wood Lumber, etc.	15,930.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks 4	1,018.00
Stock in Trade	1,400.00
Mills and Machinery	5,600.00
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	\$ 295,978.00

Soldiers exemption \$ 771.00

Taxes committed to collector	
Poll taxes	471.00
Resident taxes	4,643.34
Non-resident taxes	4,236.00
Bank taxes	15.00
Tax added	30.00
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	\$ 9,395.34

Rate of taxation \$ 30.00 per M.

## APPROPRIATIONS 1925

State tax	\$ 630.00
County tax	536.23
Town charges	1,100.00
Library, including amount required by law	50.00
Pine blister rust	200.00
State aid construction	414.00
Trunk line maintenance	1,039.00
State aid maintenance	185.00
Old Home Day	10.00
Town highways	2,400.00
Town highways from trunk line to end of state aid road	200.00
Memorial Day	10.00
Shingling Hearse House	50.00
Overlay	41.11
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	\$ 6,865.34

## FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT

Five dollars per M. on equalized valuation	\$ 1,484.43
Officers' salaries	100.00
Medical inspection	31.00
Voted extra money	238.57
Text books and supplies	100.00
High school tuition	350.00
Per capita tax	96.00
Repairs Cragin school	100.00
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	\$ 2,500.00

## ASSETS FEB. 1, 1926

Cash in treasurer's hands	\$ 316.18
Taxes uncollected 1925	1,047.15
Taxes uncollected 1924	623.48
Taxes uncollected 1923	29.24
Taxes uncollected 1922	196.93
Taxes uncollected 1921	74.06
Taxes uncollected 1920	41.76
Due from County	20.00
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	\$ 2,348.80

## LIABILITIES

Unexpended balance for cement bridge	\$ 6.55
Unexpended balance for Soldiers' Memorial	36.60
Unexpended balance for Memorial Day	7.60
First National Bank	4,500.00
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Total Liabilities	\$ 4,550.75
Total Assets	2,348.80
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Net debt Feb. 1, 1926.	\$ 2,201.65

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Male dogs licensed 42	\$ 84.00
Female dogs licensed 11	55.00
Fees retained	10.60
Paid treasurer	\$ 128.40

Sixty-four auto permits were issued by clerk,  
for which he received and paid to the treasurer, \$403.75

## REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

## RECEIPTS

Cash on hand	\$ 149.85
First National Bank	4,000.00
State Treasurer Highway Dept.	3,664.25
State Treasurer Savings Bank tax	167.35
State Treasurer bounty on wild cats	116.60
State Treasurer bounty on hedgehogs	51.40
State Treasurer forest fires	19.95
Town Clerk motor vehicles tax	403.75
Town Clerk dog license	128.40
Rent for school lands	4.84
Jacob Wanner taxes 1923	195.31
Jacob Wanner interest 1923	6.22
Jacob Wanner taxes 1924	999.35
Jacob Wanner interest 1924	27.86
Arthur C. Wade taxes on property 1925	7,826.19
Arthur C. Wade poll taxes 1925	411.00
W. P. Hodgman taxes for 1922	62.23
W. P. Hodgman interest 1922	19.68
L. H. Nichols rent on Valley Hall	25.00
R. V. Hodgman rent on Union Hall	5.28
K. Holt rent Union Hall	1.00
Jacob Wanner town plank	38.16
F. M. Clark town plank	33.72
W. P. Hodgman town plank	12.78
A. K. Hodgman lot in cemetery	5.00
Guy Currier rent on Union Hall	2.28
Returned from tax collector for taxes sold to the town	31.06
Dynamite and caps	6.43
Total receipts	\$ 18,414.94
Orders drawn	18,098.76
Balance in Treasury	\$ 316.18

Fred M. Clark, Treasurer.

## SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

## From local taxes

Poll and property taxes committed to collector	\$ 9,365.34
Tax added	30.00
Less abatements	111.00
Less uncollected	1,047.15
Property taxes current year collected	\$ 7,811.19
Poll taxes current year collected	411.00
Property and poll taxes previous year	1,256.89
National Bank stock taxes	15.00
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	\$ 9,494.08

## From state

For state aid maintenance	\$ 246.27
For state aid construction	121.32
For trunk line maintenance	3,296.66
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	\$ 3,664.25
Savings Bank tax	\$ 167.35
Forest fires	19.95
Bounties	168.00
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	\$ 355.30

## From local sources except taxes

Dog licenses	\$ 128.40
Rent for town hall	33.56
Interest received on taxes	53.76
Permits for registration of motor vehicles	403.75
Rent on school land	4.84
Bridge plank bought of town	84.66
Dynamite caps and fuse	6.43
Tax sold to town	31.06
Lot in cemetery	5.00
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	\$ 751.46
Temporary loans on anticipation	\$ 4,000.00
Total receipts	\$ 18,265.09
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1925	149.85
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	\$ 18,414.94

## SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

### General Government

Town officers' salaries	\$ 445.93
Town officers' expenses	120.66
Election and registration expenses	10.00
Expenses town halls	87.93
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	\$ 664.52

### Protection of Persons and Property

Police department, including care of tramps	\$ 37.94
White pine blister rust	200.00
Bounties	148.00
Forest fires	48.75
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	\$ 434.69

### Health

Health department	\$ 6.35
Vital statistics	.25
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	\$ 6.60

### Highways and Bridges

State aid maintenance	\$ 502.85
Trunk line maintenance	4,266.35
Town highways	2,841.59
General expense highway department	313.49
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	\$ 7,924.28

### Library

Town library	\$ 63.50
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### Charities

County poor	\$ 20.00
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### Public service enterprise

Cemeteries	\$ 114.50
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### Patriotic purposes

Old Home Day	\$ 10.00
Memorial Day	2.40
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	\$ 12.40

## Unclassified

Legal expense	\$ 21.00
Taxes bought by town	25.74
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	\$ 46.74

## Interest

Paid on loans in anticipation of taxes	\$ 358.83
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## New construction and permanent improvements

State aid construction	\$ 535.23
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## Indebtedness

Paid on loans in anticipation of taxes	\$ 4,100.00
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## Payments to other governmental divisions

Tax paid to state	\$ 630.00
Taxs paid to county	536.23
Poll taxes paid to state for 1923	18.00
Payments to school districts	2,633.24
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	\$ 3,817.47

Total payments for all purposes	\$ 18,098.76
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Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1926	\$ 316.18
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## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

## TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

C. G. Baker, Selectman	\$ 100.00
E. S. Wilbur, Selectman	75.00
L. H. Nichols, Selectman	75.00
Fred M. Clark, Treasurer	50.00
S. S. Harris, Town Clerk	35.00
S. S. Harris, Auto permit fees	16.00
A. C. Wade, 1% on 1925 taxes collected	82.37
Jacob Wanner Jr. 1% on 1923 taxes collected	1.99
Jacob Wanner Jr. 1% on 1924 taxes collected	9.95
Wm. P. Hodgman, 1% on 1922 taxes collected	.62
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	\$ 445.93

## TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

C. G. Baker, stamps and supplies	\$ 3.00
Fred M. Clark, stamps etc.	3.20
L. H. Nichols, stamps etc.	.56
Maurice S. Call, printing town reports	75.00
Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies	5.55
Chas. W. Rounsevel	4.80
C. G. Baker, expense to tax commission meeting	5.00
E. S. Wilbur, expense to tax commission meeting	5.00
S. S. Harris, auto data	7.00
W. P. Farmer, assessor's dues	2.00
Guy Currier, auto	8.50
F. E. Lovell, supplies	1.05
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	\$ 120.66

## ELECTION AND REGISTRATION EXPENSES

Thomas F. Bluitte, supervisor	\$ 6.00
C. M. Thornton, ballot inspector	2.00
A. C. Wade, ballot inspector	2.00
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	\$ 10.00

## Expenses Town Hall and Union Hall

M. L. Sargent, Insurance	\$ 22.75
S. S. Harris, repairing chairs	29.30
E. Smith, supplies	3.00
E. S. Wilbur, wood	11.00
C. Wheeler, putting in wood	1.00
Union Hall lock	1.10
Guy Currier, labor	1.35
L. H. Nichols, oil and glass	7.43
L. H. Nichols, wood	11.00
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	\$ 87.93

## Protection of Persons and Property

Police department including care of tramps	
Lawrence Hodgman, police	\$ 24.40
Joseph Shanks, police	2.50
Guy Currier, auto service	7.50
A. L. Benway, care of tramps	3.54
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	\$ 37.94
White Pine Blister Rust	\$ 200.00

## Bounties

L. H. Nichols	\$ 48.40
H. Magoon	63.00
E. S. Wilbur	3.80
C. G. Baker	12.80
E. E. Hurd	20.00
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	\$ 148.00

## Health

Frank Lovejoy, Board of Health	\$ 5.00
S. S. Harris	1.35
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	\$ 6.35

## TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE

E. F. Cutler, Patrolman

E. F. Cutler	\$ 995.00
Roswell Miller	14.00
W. I. Hook	10.68
Freight on paint	.50
W. A. Perkins	21.00
L. H. Nichols	10.75
Paint brushes	2.40
C. B. Hathaway	6.20
H. B. Sawyer	7.84
Harry Frye	3.50
G. C. Bassett	2.20
Charles Horton	1.40
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	\$ 1,075.47

William Horton, Patrolman

William Horton	\$ 1,019.87
Charles Horton	98.00
Howard Bailey	14.00
L. H. Nichols, team	31.11
William Horton Jr.	10.50
E. F. George, gas	.75
John Pike, gas	1.35
Silsby & Johnson Co.	4.96
Freight	2.63
Arthur St Amant, gravel	6.80
Gersham Bassett, gravel	2.70
L. H. Nichols, post	2.45
H. B. Sawyer, rail	3.36
E. M. Smith	.20
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	\$ 1,198.68

## STATE AID MAINTENANCE

Fred A. Barton, Agent

F. A. Barton, for men, team and truck	\$ 290.50
F. A. Pollard, labor	18.90
R. F. Pollard, labor	18.90
George Leslie, labor	3.15
Herbert Magoon, labor	6.30
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	\$ 337.75

F. A. Barton, for men, team and truck	\$ 51.75
Richard Pollard, labor	17.50
H. Hartwell, use of truck and man	67.50
C. Hartwell, labor	18.90
M. O. Baker, team	6.30
Chester B. Wheeler, labor	3.15
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	\$ 165.10

## SANDING, TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE

L. H. Nichols	\$ 66.00
Roswell Miller	35.00
Richard Hodgman	28.00
Albert Collins	29.17
Otto Shepard	29.75
Hiram Rhodes	29.75
Theodore Wirkkala	24.50
Freeman Newton	28.00
Charles Horton	18.28
Arthur Hodgman	24.50
Chester Hartwell	24.50
Richard Pollard	24.50
Arthur St Amant	23.73
John Hook	24.50
Harry Frye	18.67
Guy Currier	20.23
Martie Wirkkala	14.00

Peter Liberty	3.50
Eldred LaFrance	7.00
L. H. Nichols, team	21.00
Hulbert Hartwell, team	44.33
Jacob Wanner, team	51.33
Emory Wilbur, team	33.44
Myron Baker, team	42.00
William Hodgman, team	61.44
Henry LaFrance, team	70.00
Oscar Santti, team	51.33
Fred Clark, team	63.00
Waino Wirkkala, team	58.33
Frank Hodgman, team	49.00
John L. Dame, sand	3.20
Arthur St Amant, sand	12.60
Charles Horton, sand	9.70
Mrs. G. C. Bassett, sand	21.50
John Pike, sand	6.70
Harry Holman, sand	8.00
A. B. George, sand	1.20
Guy Currier, stone picker	1.35
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	\$ 1,083.03
Preston Bailey, widening Bridge	\$ 234.73
H. B. Sawyer, Guard rail	\$ 84.00
A. L. Wright, spreading sand on oiled road	\$ 590.44

## Town Maintenance District No. 1

Fred M. Clark, Agent

R. V. Hodgman	\$ 56.70
R. Miller	56.70
C. B. Wheeler	78.75
Guy Currier	44.10
Myron Baker	31.50
H. LaFrance	31.50
D. D. Gassett	31.50
E. LaFrance	9.45
Fred Pollard	31.50
Alton Hodgman	37.80
Lawrence Hodgman	87.75
C. McLaughlin, gravel	1.20
C. McLaughlin	17.65
A. L. Benway	6.30
K. Holt	3.15
Tractor	30.00
J. F. Wheeler, stringers and plank	30.23
Town of Lempster, 1,124 ft. plank	33.72
Spikes	.70
S. McAfee	3.15
F. A. Barton, Dynamite and fuse	7.34
H. Pollard	20.65
Solon Walters	8.40
S. S. Harris, 106 ft. plank	3.18
Freeman Newton	2.80
Walter Thayer	15.75
F. M. Clark	200.27
	\$ 881.74

## Town Maintenance

William P. Hodgman, Agent

Freeman Newton	\$ 3.15
Richard V. Hodgman	6.30
Waino Wirkkala	5.60
Marti Wirkkala	13.30
Roswell Miller	6.30
James Corey	8.40
Isaac Hodgman	18.50
Arthur K. Hodgman	58.70
Alton Hodgman	5.60
Charles M. Pollard	19.60
Frederick Pollard	6.30
Lawrence Hodgman	6.30
Fred M. Clark	12.60
Harold B. Nichols	4.20
Arthur St Amant	64.57
Elmer P. Flint	4.90
Leander Wirkkala	3.15
Charles Cragin	3.00
Frank Hodgman	64.40
Harold Hodgman	1.40
Theodore Wirkkala	47.95
William P. Hodgman	447.00
H. B. Sawyer, plank	24.50
Upton, plank	12.78
Charles Cragin, timber	2.00
Will Wood, gravel	6.00
Gersham Bassett, gravel	3.50
	\$ 860.00

## Town Maintenance

Fred A. Barton, Agent

F. A. Barton, for men, teams and use of truck	\$144.40
Herbert Magoon, caps and fuse	3.50
Rogers Hardware Co. dynamite	12.00
G. C. Bassett, 83 loads gravel	8.30
Herbert Magoon, labor	10.85
R. F. Pollard, labor	4.90
F. C. Pollard, labor	4.90
George Leslie, labor	8.05
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	\$196.90

Jacob Wanner, Agent

Jacob Wanner	\$ 117.60
Jacob Wanner, team	92.01
W. D. Thurber and team	74.90
Walter Thayer, labor	74.65
C. G. Baker and team	72.10
H. Hartwell and team	68.95
Chester Hartwell, labor	68.80
Harry Frye, labor	46.60
Emory Wilbur and team	70.00
Roswell Miller, labor	38.85
Richard Pollard, labor	29.75
Marcus Allen, labor	22.75
George Leslie, labor	22.05
Freeman Newton, labor	20.30
Myron O. Baker, labor	9.10
James Allen, labor	3.15
Town of Lempster, plank	38.16
Kemdall-H, gravel	3.00
Hathaway, gravel	1.10
Samuel Matheson, gravel	12.80
Tile and cartage	9.22
E. P. Flint, sharpening tools	2.85
Lumber	2.00
Dynamite, caps and fuse	1.76
Nails	.50
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	\$ 902.95

## Town Maintenance

South District, Jacob Wanner, Agent

General labor	\$ 3.85	
General nails supplies	.50	\$ 4.35
Marcus Allen road labor	232.75	
Marcus Allen road supplies and gravel	7.96	
Marcus Allen road plank	4.56	245.27
Marlow road P. O. to Baker's corner labor		27.90
Marlow road Baker's corner to Wilcox's corner labor		3.37
Marlow road Wilcox's corner to Blue line labor	21.45	
Marlow road Wilcox's corner to Blue line plank	5.76	27.21
Wilcox's corner to letter boxes labor		37.63
Baker's corner to Acworth line labor		81.85
Hooper's road labor	132.31	
Hooper's road gravel and tile	8.22	140.53
Hook and Barton road to Dodge Hollow labor	30.75	
Hook and Barton road to Dodge Hollow lumber gravel	3.55	34.30
Hurd road State Aid to Perkins corner labor	127.60	
Hurd road gravel	4.50	132.10
Mill road Perkins corner to Blue line labor	15.20	
Mill road Perkins corner to Blue line plank	27.84	
Mill road Perkins corner to Blue line cartage	1.00	44.04
Cutler road and Clothes Pin Mill labor		9.00
Huntoon and Wilbur road labor		12.45
Amount Appropriated		\$ 800.00
Marcus Allen road labor	66.15	
Marcus Allen road gravel	5.00	71.15
Marlow road P. O. to Baker's corner labor	18.90	
Marlow road P. O. to Baker's corner gravel	1.70	20.60
Baker's corner to Acworth line labor		11.20
Amount over-drawn		\$ 102.95
Total		\$ 902.95

## General Expense of Highways

W. S. Kempton	\$ 36.20
D. Gassett	2.10
Harold Fairbanks	15.00
Hugh Hunt	22.00
E. S. Wilbur	3.20
W. S. Kempton	6.65
Will Perkins	4.03
Guy Currier, 2 signs	2.50
Guy Currier, labor	1.23
New England Road Machine Co.	2.56
Wm. D. Thurber	3.00
H. LaFrance	5.60
Harry Frye	3.15
Upton & Whitcomb, bridge plank	173.34
Frank Hodgman	2.10
Thomas Bluitte	12.00
John Wheeler	2.00
Fred A. Barton	16.45
Rogers Hardware	.38
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	\$ 313.49

## LIBRARY

Library trustee L. May Wheeler	\$ 50.00
Balance left from repairing Hearse house	13.50
	\$ 63.50

## CHARITIES

County Poor A. L. Benway	\$ 20.00
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## PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

Old Home Day E. F. Cutler	\$ 10.00
Flags for Memorial Day J. W. Johnson	2.40
	\$ 12.40

## PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE

Cemeteries	
A. K. Hodgman, opening graves	\$ 33.00
A. K. Hodgman, mowing and labor in cemetery	45.00
S. S. Harris, shingling Hearse house	36.50
	\$ 114.50

## UNCLASSIFIED

Taxes bought by town	
Mrs. Putnam Bignat Place	\$ 25.74
Legal advice J. M. Barton	21.00
	\$ 46.74

## INTEREST

Paid on loans in anticipation of taxes	
First National Bank	\$333.83
A. L. Benway	25.00
	\$ 358.83

## INDEBTEDNESS

Payments on temporary loans, F. N. Bank	\$ 3,500.00
Arthur L. Benway	600.00
	\$ 4,100.00

## State Aid Construction

L. H. Nichols, foreman	\$ 35.00
Guy Currier	25.20
C. B. Wheeler	22.05
George Straw	18.90
Hubert Hartwell	12.60
Richard Hartwell	3.15
Joseph Shanks	22.05
Albert Chamberlin	12.60
Myron Baker	12.60
William Thurber	12.60
Everett Thurber	12.60
William Horton Jr.	12.60
Theodore Wirkkala	9.45
Samuel McAfee	9.45
Frank Hodgman	25.20
Charles McLaughlin	44.10
Chester Hartwell	31.50
Emory Wilbur	44.10
Clifton Baker	25.20
Arthur Benway	12.60
Fred Clark	44.10
Silsby & Johnson, supplies	5.00
Charles McLaughlin, gravel	54.00
Fred A. Barton, dynamite	7.08
Elmer P. Flint, per bill	2.00
A. C. Benjes, dynamite	19.50
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	\$ 535.23

## Payments to Other Governmental Divisions

Taxes paid to state	\$ 630.00
Taxes paid to county	536.23
Poll taxes to state	18.00
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	\$ 1,184.23

## Payments to school district

Harold B. Nichols	\$ 2,500.00
Harold B. Nichols, rent on school land	4.84
Harold B. Nichols, dog license money	128.40
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Total payments for all purposes \$ 2,633.24

Respectfully submitted,

Clifton G. Baker,

Lucius H. Nichols,

Emory S. Wilbur,

Selectmen of Lempster.

## Report of Trustees of the Trust Funds

For year ending Jan. 31, 1926.

## RECEIPTS

Asa Way	school fund	\$ 18.06
Henry Hurd	school fund	6.70
James G. Hosley	cemetery fund	12.12
Charles Booth	cemetery fund	20.20
Duren S. Honey	cemetery fund	6.06
Almond Booth	cemetery fund	4.04
Frank B. Davis	cemetery fund	3.02
Leander Hill	cemetery fund	8.08
William Thissell	cemetery fund	8.08
Andrew J. Mitchell	cemetery fund	4.04
Minerva Gee	cemetery fund	3.02
Frank W. Huntoon	cemetery fund	2.66
Duren S. Honey	cemetery fund	6.06
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		\$ 102.14
Balance unexpended Jan. 31, 1925		93.82
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		\$ 195.96

## EXPENDITURES

Paid Lempster School District	\$ 24.76
Labor in cemetery	31.90
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	\$ 56.66

Unexpended income 139.30

## Where Funds Are Invested

Asa Way fund	Newport Savings Bank	\$ 447.50
Henry Hurd fund	Newport Savings Bank	166.66
James G. Hosley fund	Newport Savings Bank	300.00
Charles Booth fund	Newport Savings Bank	500.00
Duren S. Honey fund	Newport Savings Bank	150.00
Almon Booth fund	Newport Savings Bank	100.00
Frank B. Davis fund	Newport Savings Bank	75.00
Leander Hill fund	Newport Savings Bank	200.00
William T. Thissell fund	Newport Sav. Bank	200.00
Andrew J. Mitchell fund	Newport Sav. Bank	100.00
Minerva Gee fund	Newport Savings Bank	75.00
Frank W. Huntoon fund	Newport Sav. Bank	100.00
Duren S. Honey fund	Sugar River Sav. Bank	150.00

Lucius H. Nichols

A. L. Benway

Thomas F. Bluitte

Trustees of Trust Funds.

## REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 31, 1925	\$ 43.91
Town appropriation	50.00
Hearse House money	13.50
Fines	.63
Refund on Magazines	.25
	\$ 108.29

## EXPENDITURES

Expenses of Mrs. E. M. Hodgman to Summer School at Durham	\$ 10.00
Mrs. E. M. Hodgman, services as librarian	17.28
Mrs. Avis B. Currier, services as librarian	7.72
E. S. Wilbur, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord wood	6.00
Rand Ball & King, lock	2.00
Oil and lamp chimneys	1.89
Library paste	.40
	\$ 45.29
Balance on hand	\$ 63.00

## RESOURCES

Number bound volumes at beginning of the year,	1,695
Books donated by Nella and Winifred Welch	71
which includes Histories, Fiction Adairs	
New Encyclopedia, 5 volumes, The Peoples	
Bible Encyclopedia volumes Nos. 1 and 2	
Total circulation for the year	824

L. May Wheeler,  
Harold B. Nichols,  
Library Trustees.

## REPORT OF OVERSEER OF THE POOR

Paid for care of tramps	\$ 3.54
Received town order	\$ 3.54

A. L. Benway, Overseer of Poor.

## JANITOR SERVICE UNION HALL

Received for month of March 1925	\$ 3.00
Received for month of April	6.00
Received for month of May	9.00
Received for month of June	6.00
Received for month of July	6.00
Received for month of August	6.00
Received for month of Sept.	6.00
Received for month of Oct.	3.00
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	\$ 45.00

Janitor's services @ \$2.00 per night	\$ 30.00
Cleaning hall for Old Home Day	5.00
Cleaning vault Union Hall	1.00
Supplies for Union Hall	3.72
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	\$ 39.72

Balance due the town	5.28
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Richard V. Hodgman, Janitor

Received for month of Nov.	\$ 3.00
Received for month of Jan. 1926	6.00
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	\$ 9.00
Janitor's Services	\$ 6.00
Kerosene for lights	.72
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	\$ 6.72

Balance due the town	2.28
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Guy E. Currier, Janitor

## JANITOR REPORT TOWN HALL

Received for the month of March 1925	\$ 3.00
Received for the month of May	9.00
Received for the month of June	15.00
Received for the month of July	12.00
Received for the month of Sept.	9.00
Received for the month of Oct.	18.00
Received for the month of Nov.	6.00
Received for the month of Jan. 1926	3.00
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	\$ 75.00
L. H. Nichols, services	\$ 50.00
Oil and wicks for May	.96
Oil for June	1.53
Oil for July	.34
Oil for Oct.	2.55
Glass for Oct.	1.20
Oil for Nov.	.85
E. M. Smith, lamp chimneys	3.00
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Balance paid to town	\$ 14.57

Lucius H. Nichols, Janitor.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

I certify that I have examined the books and accounts of the selectmen, treasurer, tax collector, town clerk and other town officers and find them correct with proper vouchers.

Elbert E. Hurd, Auditor.



Lempster

School Report

For the year Ending

June 30, 1925.



## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The three schools of Lempster are doing highly creditable work. The Street school has established a fine morale, where mutual helpfulness of all pupils is the keynote. Such a spirit, as seen in "the Street" is to be a valuable asset to the town in years to come. Patriotism and respect for flag are taught here as in few schools. Cragin is a school composed mostly of boys. They are being taught responsibility and are being trained to become active American citizens. East Lempster is a cadet school. We have been very fortunate in the student teachers that have been sent here this year. Due to the close supervision of the Keene Normal School the supposed handicap of frequent changes of teachers has failed to materialize. This cadet system is working well and no town need hesitate to adopt it as a temporary aid in financial difficulties.

Standardized tests are being used more and more extensively to determine the exact amount of progress made during a specified time, as well as to compare one school with another. The two fundamental subjects, Arithmetic and Reading are being especially emphasized this year. Each teacher has the standard Arithmetic pads which she uses daily. These furnish drill for the attainment of speed and accuracy in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. With these four processes well taught, no Lempster pupil may fear for success in the higher branches of learning. Reading is the one great essential of life to-day. Machines can be made to write, do Arithmetic or Bookkeeping but a reading machine is unknown. For this reason three distinct tests have been used this year in the Lempster schools the Detroit, the Burgess and the Monroe scores. These are

fully standardized and rank the Lempster schools with those of the entire country. With special work in this department we believe Lempster can surpass its present high standing.

The teachers inform us that several of the boys are showing marked ability in their work and should be encouraged to enter high school if not look forward to a college course. College trained men can be utilized in a small town as well as in a large city. Let us help ambitious pupils to continue their studies as long as they can profit by them.

The school buildings are in fine condition. They are a tribute to the townspeople and the work of their school board. Adjustable shades have improved the lighting to a considerable extent. It would be well if some provision for play grounds could be made, at all three of the schools. At East Lempster, particularly, a slight expense would produce remarkable results by way of an ornamental and useful playing space. Directed play, on suitable grounds, is an efficient means of improving the morale of any school.

Chemical toilets are being installed in many schools this year. It would be well if plans could be formulated by which such toilets could be bought for one school each year. In three years time, under this plan, the system would be completed. The returns in lessened health risks would justify the extra outlay.

The superintendent wishes to express his appreciation of the cooperation tendered him during his first five months of service. The kindly advice and assistance of a most worth school board is gratefully acknowledged.

Respectfully submitted,

Roy W. Gillmore, Supt.

## STATISTICAL REPORT

Compiled by the Superintendent

1924 - 1925

Number of schools	3
Teachers employed	3
Number of boys enrolled, not elsewhere previously registered	27
Number of girls enrolled, not elsewhere previously registered	24
Total registration	57
Half days schools were in session	344
Half days lost	16
Aggregate half day's attendance	14012
Aggregate half day's absence	607
Percent of attendance	96
Number of pupils 5 to 8 years of age	14
Number of pupils 8 to 14 years of age	33
Number of pupils 14 to 16 years of age	4
Number not absent or tardy during the year	3
Number of school visits made by school board members	21
Number of school visits made by Superintendent	64
Incidental visits made by Superintendent	20
Visits made by citizens	101

## FINANCIAL REPORT

### RECEIPTS

From state treasurer	\$ 1,273.88
From town for support of elementary schools	1,788.96
From town for high school tuition	300.00
From town for salaries of district officers	100.00
From town for per capita tax	106.00
From town dog licenses	96.60
From income from trust funds	24.76
From sale of property	.47
From proceeds of notes	500.00
From rental of school lands	4.84
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	\$ 4,195.51
Cash on hand July 1, 1924	.96
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Total	\$ 4,196.47

## PAYMENTS

Salaries of district officers	\$ 97.00
Superintendent's salary	139.29
Truant officer and census enumerator	5.00
Expenses of administration	11.30
Teachers' salaries	2,268.00
Text books	85.22
Supplies	97.99
Flags and appurtenances	4.75
Other expenses of instruction	18.28
Janitor service	45.00
Fuel	120.00
Janitor's supplies	24.20
Minor repairs and expenses	75.20
Medical inspection	31.00
Transportation	946.50
High school tuition	140.00
Other special activities	15.50
Per capita tax	106.00
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Cash on hand July 1, 1925 (overdraft)	\$ 4,230.23
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Total	\$ 4,196.47

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Salaries of Districts Officers	
Conchita I. Hodgman school board	\$ 35.00
L. May Wheeler school board	20.00
Emory S. Wilbur school board	20.00
Conchita I. Hodgman clerk	5.00
Harold B. Nichols treasurer	10.00
Roswell Miller auditor	2.00
Fred A. Barton moderator	5.00
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	\$ 97.00
Superintendent's excess salary	\$ 139.29
Truant officer	\$ 5.00
Expenses of Administration	
R. E. Lane order book	\$ 1.05
Conchita I. Hodgman telephone and postage	4.25
Frank W. Hamlin office expenses	6.00
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	\$ 11.30
Teachers' Salaries	
Evelyn Stearns	\$ 1,000.00
John H. R. Battice	648.00
Rural Cadet Teachers Keene Normal School	620.00
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	\$ 2,268.00
Text Books	
American Viewpoint Society	\$ 7.27
Silver Burdett & Co.	19.15
World Book Co.	7.10
Boni Liverwright, Publishers	2.58
Teachers' College, Columbia University	3.00
F. M. Ambrose & Co.	1.65
Standard Book Co.	8.12
Lyons & Carnahan	7.16
Houghton Mifflin Co.	15.65
Ginn & Co.	9.79
American Book Co.	3.75
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	\$ 85.22

## Supplies

Milton Bradley Co.	\$ 83.91
Edward E. Babb & Co.	7.81
World Book Co.	6.27
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	\$ 97.99

## Other Expenses of Instruction

Milton Bradley Co.	\$ 1.50
American Book Co.	4.63
Ryon & Bunker	5.10
Rand McNally & Co.	3.30
John H. R. Battice, Sand Table	1.50
Martin Diploma Co.	2.25
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	\$ 18.28

## Janitor Service

Richards Pollard	\$ 10.42
John H. R. Battice	15.00
Martha Wirkkala	15.00
Catherine Rowe	4.58
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	\$ 45.00

## Janitor Supplies

E. W. Matheson, Brooms	\$ 5.60
Milton Bradley Co.	8.35
John H. R. Battice, Oiling floors and supplies	4.95
E. M. Smith	5.30
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	\$ 24.20

## Fuel

John F. Wheeler, Kindling	\$ 8.50
Emory S. Wilbur, Wood	35.00
W. H. Wirkkala, Wood	35.00
Lucius H. Nichols, Wood	35.00
Emory S. Wilbur, Drawing Kindling	6.50
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	\$ 120.00

**Minor Repairs and Expenses**

Milton Bradley Co.	\$ 1.25
Martha Wirkkala, Cleaning schoolhouse	2.00
Avis M. Currier, Cleaning schoolhouse	2.00
Lucy E. Smith, Cleaning schoolhouse	2.00
Emory S. Wilbur, Door knob and latch	1.35
John Battice, Door latch	.50
Evelyn Stearns, Spring for graphaphone	1.75
W. H. Wirkkala, Repairing underpinning	7.00
E. L. Lovejoy, Labor	13.50
Mrs. Elmer Flint, Washing windows	1.00
W. H. Wirkkala, Labor	4.00
Conchita Hodgman, Dinners for School Board at Keene	1.35
Harold B. Nichols, Cleaning stove pipe and trucking	1.50
Oliver C. Steele Mfg. Co., Shades	18.00
Nelson Warner, Beaver board	18.00
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	\$ 75.20

Medical Inspection W. E. Clark, M. D.	\$ 31.00
Transportation	
W. J. Hook	\$ 336.00
John Quigley	82.50
Mrs. Elmer Flint	180.50
Ada Wanner	175.00
Conchita I. Hodgman	172.50
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	\$ 946.50
High School Tuition	
Kimball Union Academy	\$ 70.00
Hopkinton High School	70.00
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	\$ 140.00
Other Special Activities	
Conchita I. Hodgman, oil stove for E. Lempster school	\$ 15.50
Per capita tax	
State Treasurer	\$ 106.00

## SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

For the year ending June 30, 1925

Received from John F. Wheeler,	
Balance in the Treasury July 1, 1925	\$ .96
Received from town treasurer	2,294.96
Received from Arthur L. Benway, int. on	
Trust Fund	24.76
Received from State Treasurer, Education	
Equalization	1,273. 88
Received from Town Treasurer, dog licenses	96.60
Received from Town Treasurer, rent on	
school land	4.84
Received from First National Bank, loan on note	500.00
Received from L. May Wheeler, for stationery	.47
	\$ 4,196.47
Overdraft on check account at Bank	33.76
	\$ 4,230.23
133 Orders of the School Board paid	4,230.23

Harold B. Nichols, Treasurer.

## RECOMMENDATIONS OF SCHOOL BOARD

The School Board recommends as required by law the following sums as needed for the School year beginning July 1, 1926.

For support of the schools to the amount of \$5.00 per \$1,000.00 tax on equalized valuation.

For text books and supplies	\$ 100.00
For High School tuition	700.00
Per capita tax	116.00

Respectfully submitted,

Conchita I. Hodgman,  
L. May Wheeler,  
Emory S. Wilbur,

School Board.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

I hereby certify that I have examined the reports and accounts of the School Board and Treasurer and find them correct.

Roswell Miller, Auditor.

## BIRTHS

### REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF LEMPSTER, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1925.

Date 1925	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	No. of Children Col'd	Condition Col'd	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
May 7	Lempster, N. H.	Francis Idella Darling	F	L 1	W	Howard P. Darling	Charlotte L. Humphrey W Marshfield, Vt.	Farmer	Marshfield, Vt.	Newbury, Vt.
June 22	Lempster, N. H.	Norma Elizabeth	F	L 4	W	Freeman G. Newton	Maude G. Bartlett	W Lempster, N.H.	Lempster, N. H.	Boscawin, N. H.
Sept. 5	Lempster, N. H.	Patricia Ann	F	L 2	W	Francis P. Curtin	Jean Hokkanen	W New York City. Clerk	New York City.	Finland
Sept. 20	Lempster, N. H.	Ruth Annie	F	L 4	W	Daniel E. Deroche	Ella J. Butler	W Lempster, N.H. Laborer	Howland, Me.	Mason, N. H.

## MARRIAGES

### REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF LEMPSTER, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1925.

Date 1925	Place of Marriage	Name of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each	Age of Each	Color or Type	Occupation of Each	Birthplace of Each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation of Parents	Name, Residence and official station of person by whom married
June 6	Manchester, N. H.	Camille J. DeCook Emma L. Wheeler	Manchester, N. H. Lempster, N. H.	35 W Salesman 29 W Bookkeeper	Ghent Belgium Lempster, N. H.	Julius DeCook John F. Wheeler	Ghent Belgium Ghent Belgium Lempster, N. H.	Pauline Van Blyenburg Lillian M. Wright	Ghent Belgium Cigarmaker Lempster, N. H. Mechanic Washington, N. H.	1 1 1	Stoddard Lane Clergyman Manchester, N.H.

## DEATHS

### REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF LEMPSTER, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1925.

Date 1925	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Years Months Days	Birthplace	Condition Co. Ex. 22	Occupation	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Name of Father	Name of Mother	Maiden Name of Mother
March 4	Lempster, N. H.	Frank W. Huntoon	88	5	0	Rochester, Vt.	M. W. M	Hotel Business	Unity, N. H.	Keene, N. H.	Amos S. Hunton
Aug. 5	Lempster, N. H.	Arthur W. Welch	77	4	7	Calais, Me.	M. W. W	Carpenter	St. Andrews, N. B.	St. Stephens, N. B.	Sarah D. Dart
Sept. 25	Lempster, N. H.	Erasthus L. Lovejoy	75	8	3	Claremont, N. H.	M. W. M	Painter	Connecticut	Unity, N. H.	Elinor Thompson
Oct. 24	Lempster, N. H.	Dora A. Allen	72	10	18	Lempster, N. H.	F. W. S	Housewife	Lempster, N. H.	Alstead, N. H.	Mary Marshall
											Ann M. Bryant

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

SAMUEL S. HARRIS, Town Clerk.





